

ANTELOPE VALLEY ILLEGAL DUMPING TASK FORCE

February 13, 2013

Fire Station No. 129, Training Center
42110 6th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93534

Bank Account – Doug Burgis

- \$26,568.05 as of December, 2012. Christine asked about next installment, DPW to follow up.

Illegal Dumping Reports – David Pang

- Provided Free Dump Day event information at Waste Management of Lancaster for April 13, 2013.
- Provided Free Tire Recycling event information for April 20, 2013.
- Provided Illegal Dumping Statistics.

Update on Antelope Valley Franchise – Steve Milewski

- Steve provided a brief presentation regarding the County's plans to establish franchise areas in the Antelope Valley and highlighted the following benefits of the new system:
 - Improve services based on residents' needs in specific town councils. Cost will be applied to the residents for the services provided.
 - Through a Franchise system, the needs will be customized. Residents will either have to contract or have a self-haul permit.
 - There will be 6 different areas in the Antelope Valley that will be controlled by a contract hauler. Residents living within those areas will be able to either contract with that hauler or self-haul.
 - The Franchise hauler is established through a bid process.
- Members had several questions regarding the presentation and were eager to participate in the process and provide recommendations as the process moved forward.

Outreach programs/contests via the schools – Christine Borzaga

- Illegal Dumping Education and Prevention Grant, 2nd Funding Cycle – 2013 guidelines and applications are available. It has been posted on website.

Report on Lancaster's 24-hour Recycling Center – Donald Watkins not present

- Donald Watkins not present.
- Christine Borzaga reported she had visited the facility and it was very convenient.

Reports on pending matters – Doug Burgis

- Dave Campbell provided an update on the Flores case. Mr. Flores was required to clean up tires and other items from his property but was found to have instead buried the items in the dirt. He was required to unearth and dispose the items and is in the process of getting the items removed.
- Dave Campbell provided an update on the Dance case. Mr. Dance was found to have dumped significant quantities of asphalt in the desert. Mr. Dance cleaned up the dumping and completed mandatory community service. The case is now closed and was a successful conviction.

New/old business

- Christine Borzaga updated the Task Force regarding the Subcommittee Meeting. The following items were unanimously approved by the Subcommittee:
 - Curiosity Goes Green – a PBS show that will air a 30 minute segment focused on illegal dumping. Total cost is \$15,000, City of Palmdale will provide half of the funding, and City of Lancaster may contribute too. Subcommittee approved spending up to \$7,500.
 - Spending \$85 to repair a camera damaged after being used for target practice by a local resident.
 - Providing a bin for resident Doug Parham at 216th Street East and Ave. H-14 for illegal dumping clean-up. Wilson Fong through tire recycling program will also provide a bin for tires.
 - Providing up to two bins to Mr. Green, who has been working with D.A. to clean up his property but does not have sufficient funds to remove debris that would be created by the demolition of a non-compliant garage structure on his premises.
- The Subcommittee will evaluate additional funding next month for the CrimeStoppers program and for placement of illegal dumping signs. DPW will develop a recommendation for the CrimeStoppers program, in lieu of the tip rewards program, and Ag Commission will investigate costs for illegal dumping signs.

Set Next Meeting Date – March 13, 2013

- Next meeting on March 13, 2013.